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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of) Art Unit 1812
Grotendorst, et al.)
Serial No.: 08/167,628)
Filed : 12/14/93)
FOR: CONNECTIVE TISSUE GROWTH)
FACTOR >)
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DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.132

Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

We, Gary R. Grotendorst, Ph.D., and Douglass M. Bradham, Jr., Ph.D., declare and state that:

1. We are co-inventors of the subject matter described and claimed in the United States Patent Application Serial No. 08/167,628, filed on December 14, 1993, entitled, "Connective Tissue Growth Factor".
2. We are familiar with the prosecution history of Patent Application Serial No. 08/167,628 (FWC of 07/752,427, filed on August 30, 1991).
3. We understand that the Examiner has rejected claims 1 and 4 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as anticipated by or, in the alternative, under 35 U.S.C. §103 as obvious over Matsuoka, et al., or alternatively Campochiaro, et al., or alternatively Shimokado, et al.